

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**Applicant(s):** David Alan Witt, et al.**Examiner:** Unassigned**Serial No:** Unassigned**Art Unit:** Unassigned**Filed:** Herewith**Docket:** 13946 (END-696)**For:** EASILY DETACHABLE ULTRASONIC
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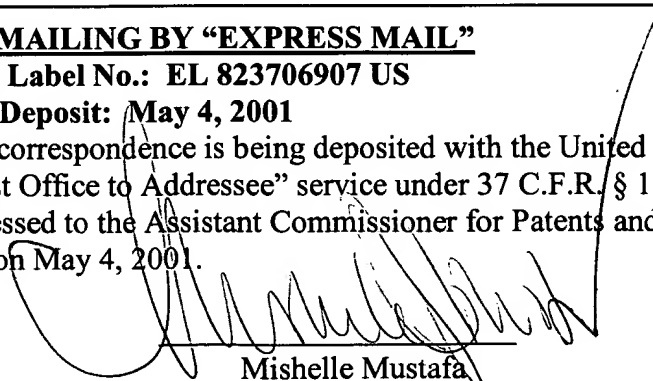
Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, it is requested that the following reference, which is also listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, be made of record in the above-identified case.

1. U.S. Patent No. 5,810,859, dated September 22, 1998, issued to DiMatteo, et al.;
2. U.S. Patent No. 5,669,922, dated September 23, 1997, issued to Hood;
3. U.S. Patent No. 5,676,678, dated October 14, 1997, issued to Schad;
4. U.S. Patent No. 5,322,055, dated June 21, 1994, issued to Davidson, et al.;

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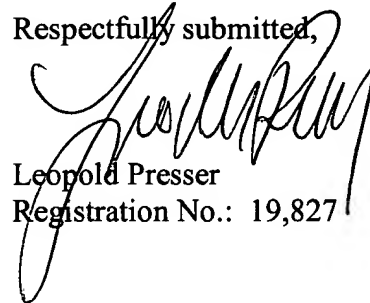
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5. Japanese unexamined Patent Application No. JP 8275952, dated October 22, 1996; and
6. German Patent Application No. 19 534 618, issued March 20, 1997

Applicant is submitting a copy of the above-cited reference. The relevance of the above-identified reference has been described in the specification.

Inasmuch as this Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted in accordance with the schedule set out in 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b), no statement or fee is required.

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